

IN RE: Proceeding to Establish Guidelines for an ) ORDER GRANTING  
Intrastate Universal Service Fund (USF). ) ADMISSION PRO HAC  
 ) VICE

Mr. Buntrock is a member of the law firm of Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice, PLLC, with offices located at 1401 Eye Street, Seventh Floor, Washington, DC, and is a member in good standing of the bar of the District of Columbia according to the application. Additionally, Mr. Buntrock has included an affirmation that he will comply with the applicable statutes, laws, and rules of the State of South Carolina, that he is familiar with and will comply with the South Carolina Rules of Professional Conduct, and that he will submit to the jurisdiction of the South Carolina courts and Commission on Lawyer Conduct.

Local counsel of record associated with Mr. Buntrock is Lori R. Patton of Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice, PLLC.

It appears to this Commission that the proper *pro hac vice* application of Ross Allen Buntrock has been filed with the South Carolina Supreme Court and that the necessary affirmation has been made. The Deputy Clerk for Bar Admissions has certified receipt of the filing and that the filing fee has been paid. We believe that Mr. Buntrock meets the qualifications for admission to practice before the Commission in Docket No. 1997-239-C *pro hac vice* and that he should be so admitted.

**FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

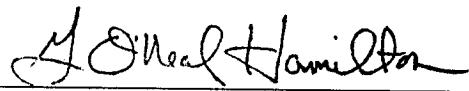
1. Ross Allen Buntrock, Esquire, is a member in good standing of the bar of the District of Columbia and has moved for his *pro hac vice* admission to practice before the Commission in Docket No. 1997-239-C.
2. Proper application has been filed, the filing fee has been paid, and the necessary affirmation has been made, as required by SCACR 404.
3. Mr. Buntrock has associated South Carolina counsel.
4. The request for *pro hac vice* admission in this proceeding should be granted.

**ORDER**

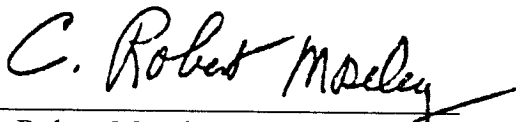
The request of Ross Allen Buntrock, Esquire, for *pro hac vice* admission to practice before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina in Docket No. 1997-239-C is granted.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

  
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G. O'Neal Hamilton, Chairman

ATTEST:

  
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C. Robert Moseley, Vice Chairman

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